GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has forwarded the invitation to Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) to host Asian Games, 2014;

(b) if so, the probability to get opportunity to host the same;

(c) whether India has sufficient facility to host Asian Games; and

(d) if so, the details thereabout?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT)

(a) Government has approved `in principle` the proposal of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) for bidding for the XVII Asian Games, 2014. Accordingly, Government has issued letters to IOA for submitting the bids for holding the Games. IOA has informed that they have submitted its letter of `Intent` and the same has been acknowledged by Olympic Council of Asia (OCA).

(b) The allotment of the Games will be decided at the General Assembly of OCA to be held in China in September-October, 2005.

(c) & (d): Presently Government of India, Government of NCT of Delhi and Delhi Development Authority are in the process of creating facilities for Commonwealth Games 2010. In case Asian Games, 2014 are allotted to India, these facilities would required to be suitably upgraded. Besides, new infrastructure would also required to be constructed taking into account larger number of disciplines and participating sports persons and officials, in the Asian Games.